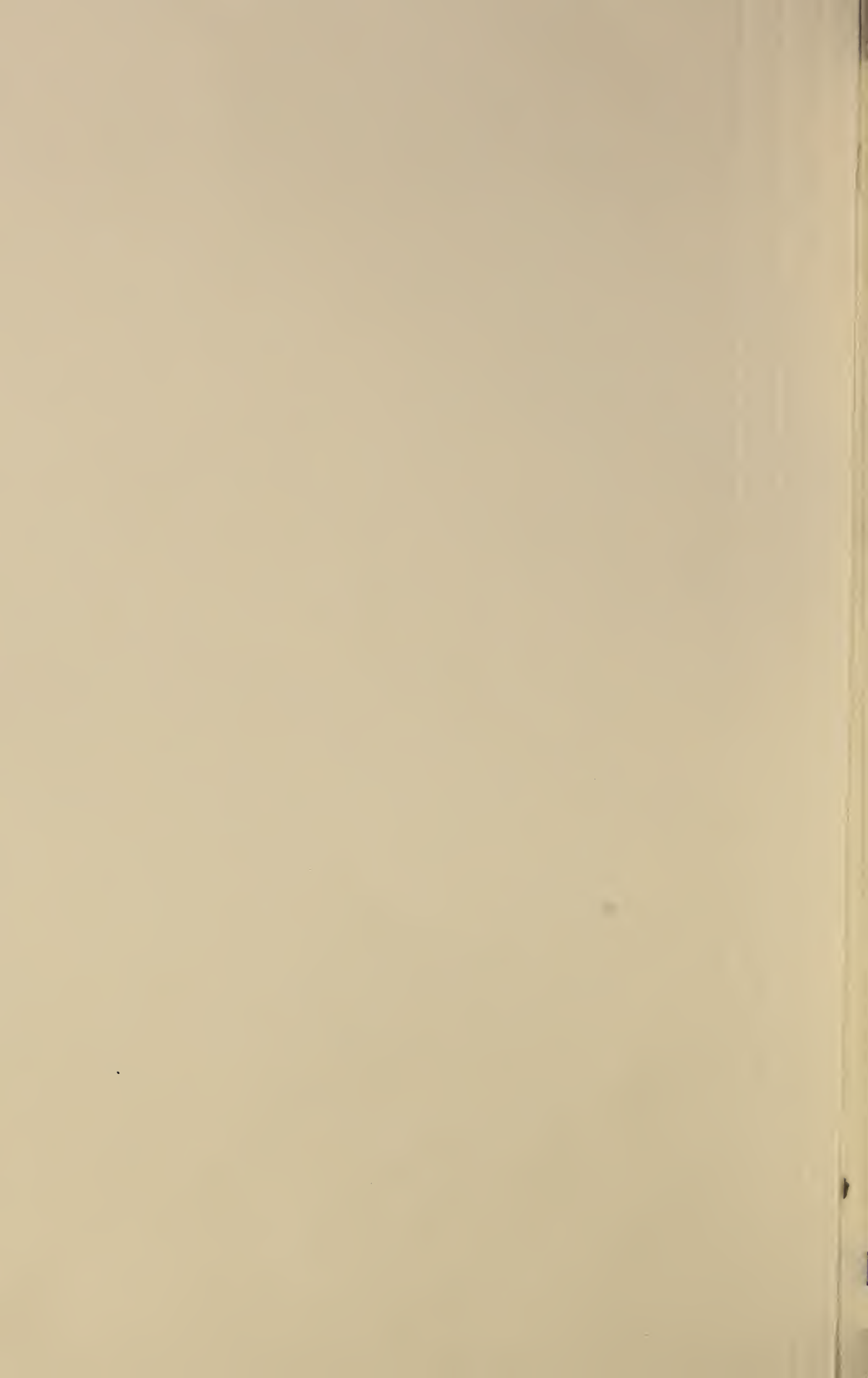


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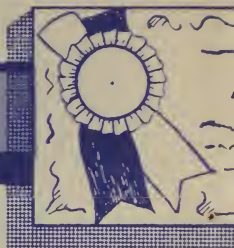




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AWARDS PROGRAM

HONOR AWARDS



REA employees who won USDA Honor Awards in 1956 are shown below receiving their awards from Secretary Benson.



ANN L. HOFFELMEYER, T.O.L.

For establishing an outstanding work performance record, and for initiating and developing simplified procedures for compiling basic data required in support of applications for rural telephone loans.



ROBERT D. PARTRIDGE,
Administrative Division

For planning and analyzing REA programs to meet the needs of American farmers for electric and telephone service, and for unusual success in coordinating the REA programs with those of other agencies.



JOHN G. HIEBER, Electric Eng.
Div.

For expert analysis and handling of complex operating problems of rural electric transmission systems, and his contributions to the development of a Transmission Line Manual.



ROBERT E. TURNER, North
Central Area Field Representative

For meritorious service in the field of electric utilization by the Nation's farms, thus strengthening the potential farm production and raising farm living standards.

Awards

SUGGESTION AWARDS

Beneficial suggestions that were put into effect have recently brought cash to the REA employees below



Left to right - Warner Smith, Assistant Chief, Telephone Engineering Division, (representing Kenneth S. Johnson) Laura Sefton, Secretary, William Newman, Engineer, receiving cash awards for suggestions from Raymond W. Lynn, Chief, Telephone Engineering Division.

Mr. Johnson received a \$10 award for a recommendation that signs be painted on walls opposite elevator exits so that passengers can see what floor they are on from inside the elevator.

Mrs. Sefton received a \$10 award for a suggestion that additional signatures be authorized for mail prepared by the Staff Engineering group.

Mr. Newman received a \$100 award for recommending the development of a light weight rod for checking sag on open wire telephone lines by the return wave method.



Miss Thelma Chambers, Loans and Operations Analyst, receiving an award of \$25.00 from Gerald Diddle, Assistant Director, Southwest Area (Electric). Miss Chambers developed worksheets which have improved processing of loans in Section 8, Southwest Area.





PERFORMANCE AWARDS: Here are some of the REA employees who recently won cash awards for sustained outstanding performance.

Front Row, left to right- Ann Hoffelmeyer, Julia Novosal, Florence Wiggins, Doris Tobias, Gladys Tams. Second row- Robert Partridge, Louis Lidberg, William Arnett, Peter Schwan, James Purvis. Third row- Ayles Shehee, George Ditlow, E.A. Loetterle, Glennwood Smith. The following employees were absent when the picture was taken: Robert Turner, George Streukens, Jessie Armbruster, John Hieber, Marvin Freeland, R.O. Sparks, Charles Kenyon, Silas Stone.

These employees were nominated by their supervisors to receive cash awards ranging from \$150 to \$300 for Sustained Outstanding Performance. The awards were presented at a ceremony held in the Jefferson Auditorium on April 13, 1956.

What the Program Provides

- You can earn awards for beneficial suggestions, inventions, or superior accomplishments.
- Awards may be cash or honorary, or both.
- You can receive up to \$25,000 for a single contribution.
- You can win cash awards for contributions of intangible value as well as for those which result in measurable dollar savings.
- You can be rewarded for doing your assigned work better than required over an extended period.